## ISOLATED VSHK-1 RECEPTOR POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A new seven transmembrane receptor has been identified, and the amino acid and nucleotide sequence of the receptor are provided. The nucleotide sequence is useful to construct expression cassettes and vectors to produce host cells which are capable of expressing the receptor, its mutants, fragments, or fusions. Such polypeptides are useful for identifying new receptor binding agonists and antagonists.